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For: APPARATUS CONTROLLER, DEVICE AND

METHOD FOR CONTROLLING DATA TRANSMISSION OF DIGITAL APPARATUS AND DATA TRANSMISSION CONTROL

SYSTEM

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2003 (Paper No. 4), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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